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- (2) Statement as Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.825(a) and (b) and Statement as Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(g) and Substitute Sequence Listing (on paper and computer disk);

- (3) Preliminary Amendment;
- (4) Request for Extension of Time and a check in the amount of \$410.00 to cover the process fee; and
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